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Earthquake Shaking — Green Alert

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M 5.6, 10 km WSW of Hafnarfjrur, Iceland

Origin Time: 2020-10-20 13:43:17 UTC (Tue 13:43:17 local)
Location: 64.0196° N 22.1159° W Depth: 10.0 km

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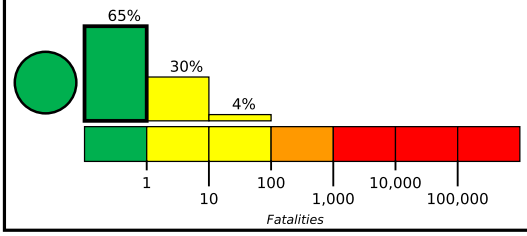
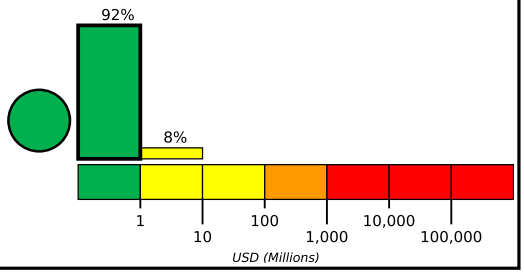
Created: 2 hours, 5 minutes after earthquake

Estimated Fatalities



Green alert for shaking-related fatalities and economic losses. There is a low likelihood of casualties and damage.

Estimated Economic Losses

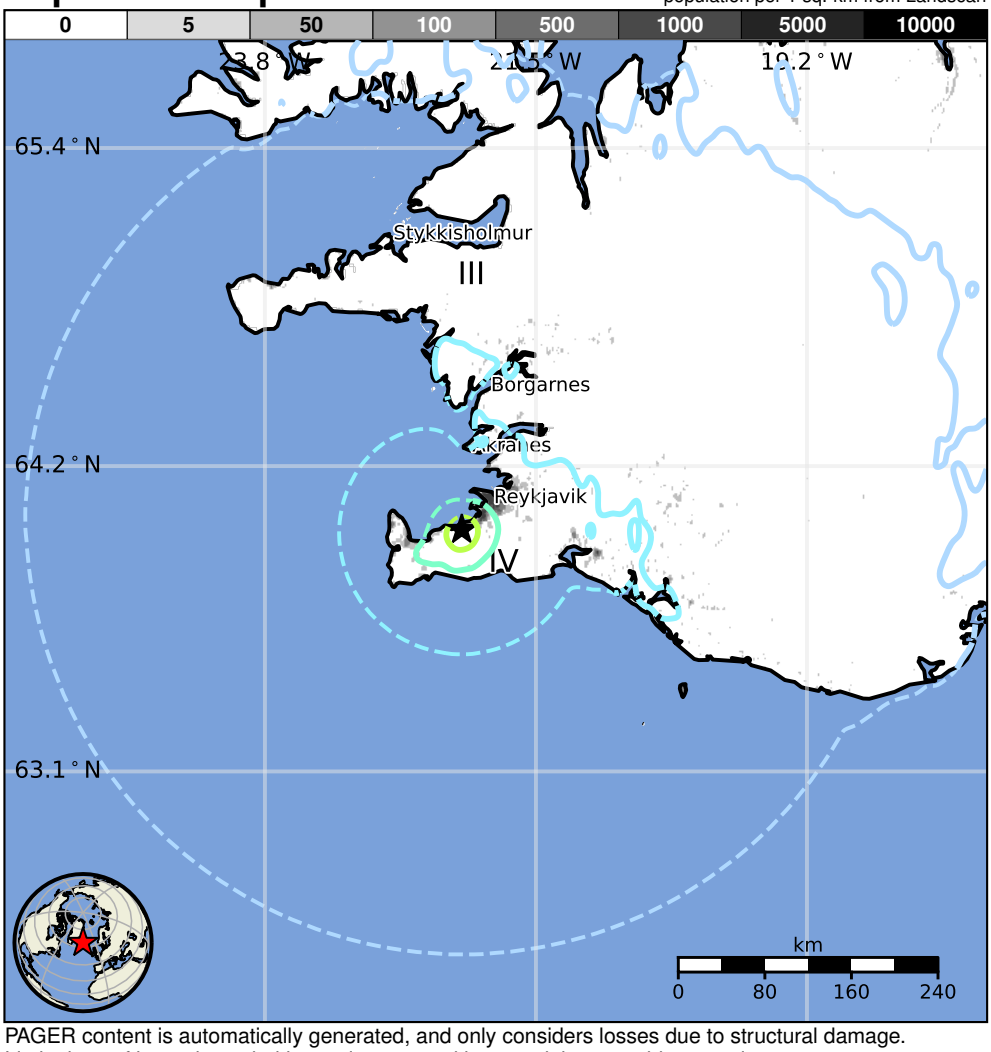


Estimated Population Exposed to Earthquake Shaking

ESTIMATED POPULATION EXPOSURE (k=x1000)		–*	49k	212k	56k	2k	0	0	0	0
ESTIMATED MODIFIED MERCALLI INTENSITY		I	II-III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X+
PERCEIVED SHAKING		Not felt	Weak	Light	Moderate	Strong	Very Strong	Severe	Violent	Extreme
POTENTIAL DAMAGE	Resistant Structures	None	None	None	V. Light	Light	Moderate	Mod./Heavy	Heavy	V. Heavy
	Vulnerable Structures	None	None	None	Light	Moderate	Mod./Heavy	Heavy	V. Heavy	V. Heavy

*Estimated exposure only includes population within the map area.

Population Exposure



Structures

Overall, the population in this region resides in structures that are resistant to earthquake shaking, though vulnerable structures exist. The predominant vulnerable building type is unreinforced brick with concrete floor construction.

Historical Earthquakes

Date (UTC)	Dist. (km)	Mag.	Max MMI(#)	Shaking Deaths
2000-06-17	81	6.5	VII(2k)	0
2000-06-21	69	6.4	VII(5k)	–
1976-01-13	357	6.3	VI(1k)	1

Recent earthquakes in this area have caused secondary hazards such as landslides that might have contributed to losses.

Selected City Exposure

from GeoNames.org

MMI	City	Population
V	Alftanes	2k
V	Hafnarfjoerdur	27k
V	Vogar	1k
V	Gardabaer	11k
IV	Keflavik	<1k
IV	Seltjarnarnes	4k
IV	**Reykjavik**	**119k**
IV	Selfoss	7k
III	**Borgarnes**	**2k**
II	Saudarkrokur	3k
II	Akureyri	18k

bold cities appear on map. (k=x1000)

PAGER content is automatically generated, and only considers losses due to structural damage. Limitations of input data, shaking estimates, and loss models may add uncertainty.

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